

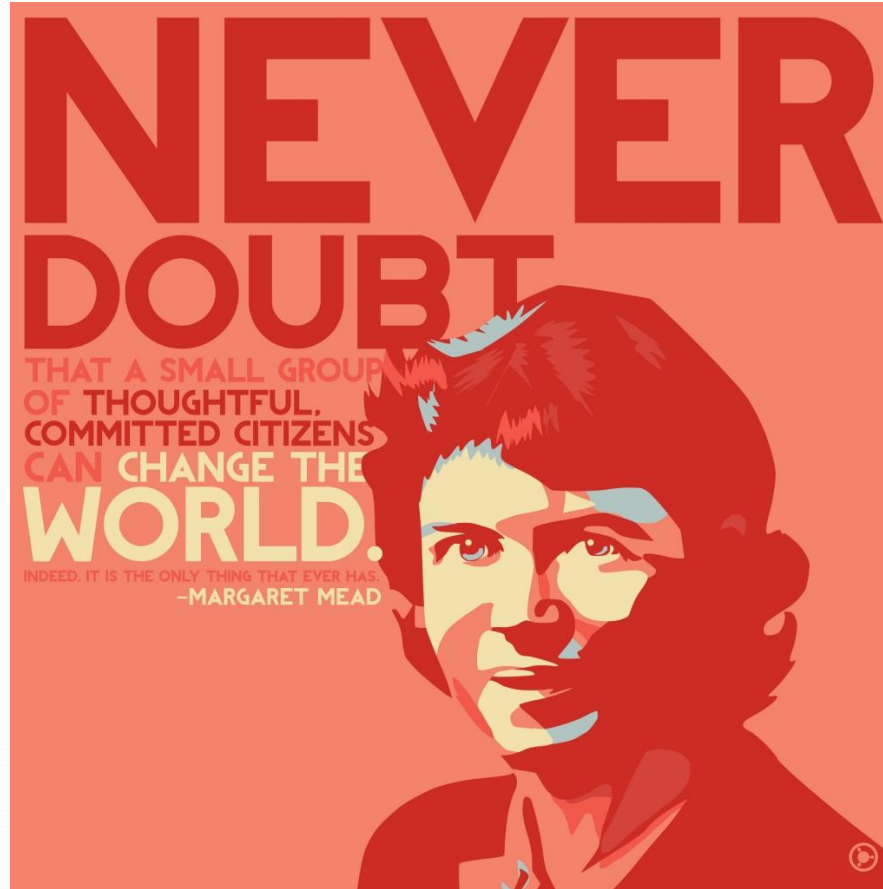


# Montana DASH

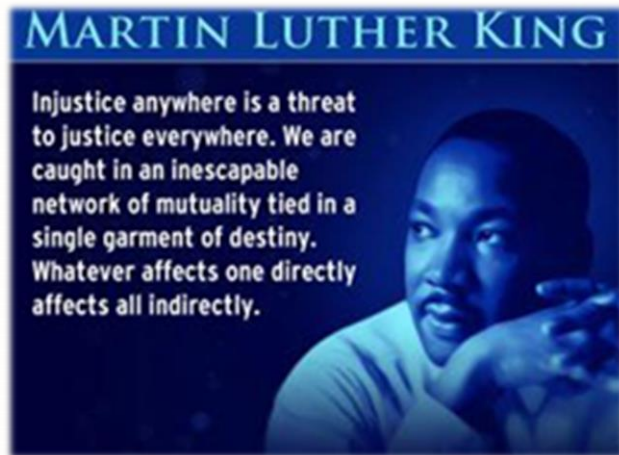
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## Oral Health as a Social Justice Issue



- Everyone should have the same opportunities to live a healthy life.
- A person in poor oral health is not healthy.
- Nobody should suffer from a chronic disease that is completely preventable.
- Until we all have an equal opportunity to live happy and healthy lives, we will live in an unjust society.
- It's our responsibility to advocate for and mobilize the many who don't have access to oral health care and prevention.

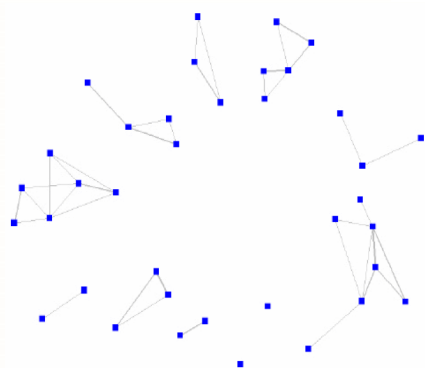
A wicked problem is a social or cultural problem that is difficult or impossible to solve for as many as four reasons: incomplete or contradictory knowledge, the number of people and opinions involved, the large economic burden, and the interconnected nature of these problems with other problems.

--Jon Kolko

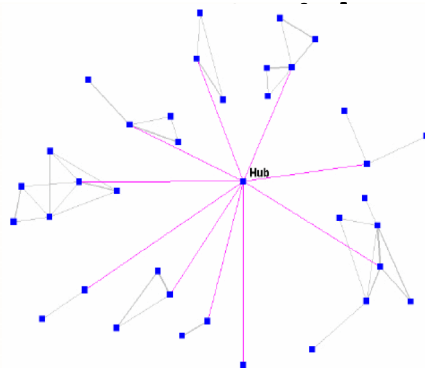
“Some problems are so **complex** that you have to be highly intelligent and well informed **just to be undecided** about them.”

--Laurence J. Peter

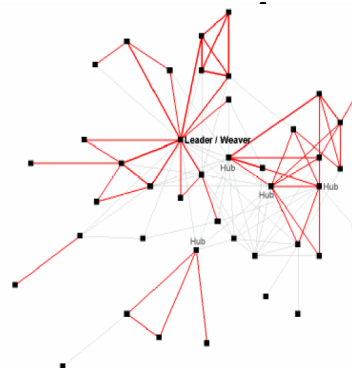




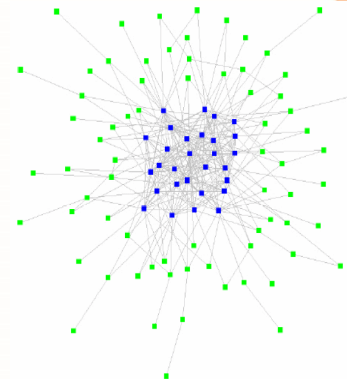
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Hub-and-Spoke



Multi-Hub



Core Periphery

Where Most Network-Building Begins

*Time*

Self-Sustaining Network

# Networks : Types

| CONNECTIVITY  | ALIGNMENT  | ACTION/<br>PRODUCTION  |
|---|--|--|
| Connects people to allow easy flow of and access to information and transactions.     | Aligns people to develop and spread an identity and collective value proposition.            | Fosters joint action for specialized outcomes (goods, services, advocacy) by aligned people and organizations. |
| <b>Network Weaving</b> – help people to meet each other, increase information sharing | <b>Facilitating</b> – helping people explore potential shared identity and value proposition | <b>Coordinating</b> – helping people plan and implement collaborative actions                                  |

# Networks in Action: Social Movement

- ☐ Rapid, large-scale improvement
- ☐ Redefining systems
- ☐ Creating new social norms
- ☐ Significant public policy change

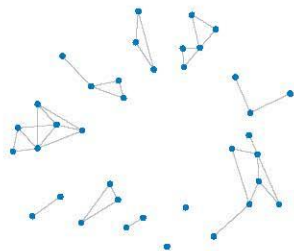


## Evolution of the Oral Health 2020 Network

**1999–2010**

Fragmented National  
Oral Health Activity

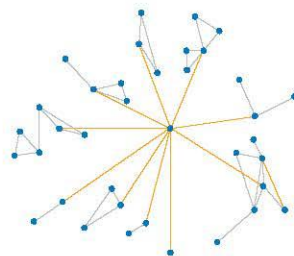
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**2011–2016**

DQF Catalyzes  
National Network in  
Role as Hub

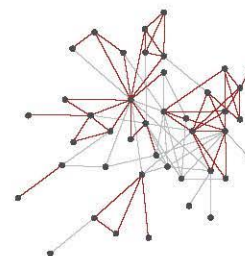
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**2016–2020**

Network Expands,  
Infrastructure  
Emerges, Leadership  
Decentralizes

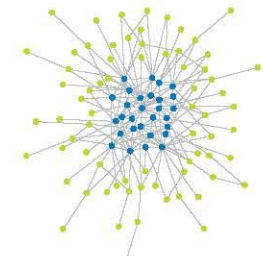
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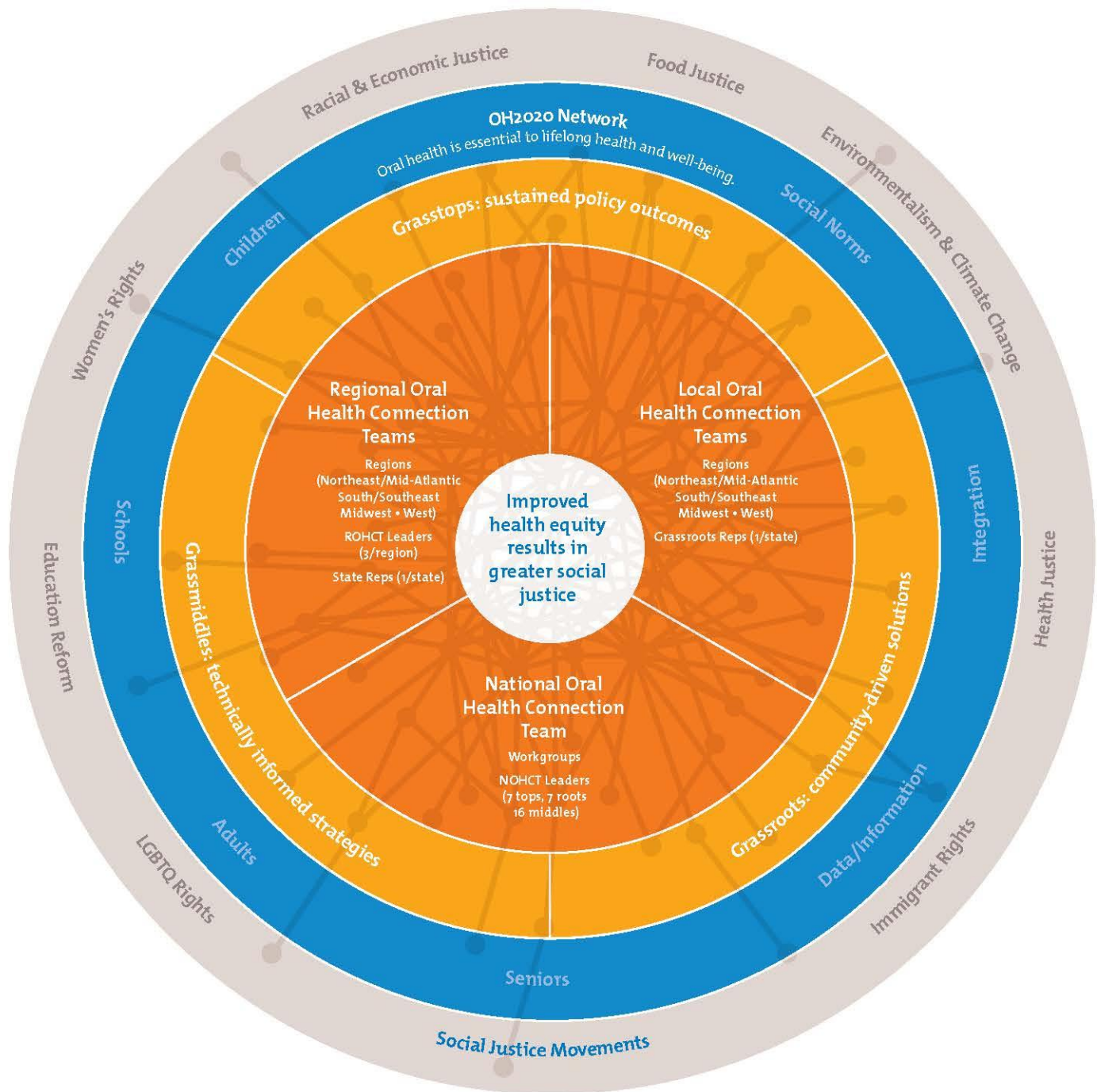


**2020  
AND BEYOND**

Network  
Infrastructure  
Becomes  
Independent and  
Sustainable

Core-Periphery





### Systems Changes

- Redefining purpose
- Changing relationships
- Resourcing the elements

### Network Approach

- Power of the collective
- Rapid deployment of innovation
- Knowledge and resource sharing

“We are now faced with the fact that tomorrow is today. We are confronted with the fierce urgency of now. In this unfolding conundrum of life and history, there ‘is’ such a thing as being too late. This is no time for apathy or complacency. This is a time for vigorous and positive action.”

*Martin Luther King, Jr.*

**TARGET**

The 10 largest school districts  
have incorporated oral health  
into their systems

**TARGET**

At least 30 states have an  
extensive Medicaid adult  
dental benefit

**ORAL HEALTH ACROSS THE LIFESPAN**

**GOAL**  
Eradicate  
dental  
disease in  
children

**GOAL**  
Incorporate  
oral health  
into the primary  
education system

**GOAL**  
Include an adult  
dental benefit  
in publicly funded  
health coverage

**Oral health is essential to lifelong  
health and wellbeing.**

**Improved health equity results  
in greater social justice**

**GOAL**  
Integrate  
oral health into  
person-centered  
healthcare

**GOAL**  
Improve the public  
perception of the  
value of oral health  
to overall health

**GOAL**  
Build a  
comprehensive  
national oral health  
measurement  
system

**ORAL HEALTH AS PART OF OVERALL HEALTH**

**TARGET**

Oral health is increasingly included  
in health dialogue and public policy

**TARGET**

With the  
closing of  
disparity gaps,  
85% of children  
reach age 5  
without a  
cavity

**TARGET**

Medicare  
includes  
an extensive  
dental benefit

**TARGET**

Oral health is  
integrated into  
at least 50%  
of emerging  
person-centered  
care models

**TARGET**

A national and  
state-based  
oral health  
measurement  
system is in  
place

# ON THE ROAD TO THE GOAL:

BUILD A COMPREHENSIVE NATIONAL ORAL HEALTH MEASUREMENT SYSTEM

**ORAL  
HEALTH  
FOR ALL  
2020™**

*At the end of the  
journey the vision  
becomes  
reality.*

## TARGET

A NATIONAL AND STATE-  
BASED ORAL HEALTH  
MEASUREMENT SYSTEM  
IS IN PLACE.

## GOAL

BUILD A COMPREHENSIVE  
NATIONAL ORAL HEALTH  
MEASUREMENT SYSTEM.

## 2018 MILESTONES

Forty percent of states  
are collecting data  
aligned with the  
recommendations  
of the Oral Health  
2020 Network

Consensus recommendations  
for a core set of measures  
with sufficient granularity and  
a measurement and reporting  
strategy have been adopted by  
the Oral health 2020 network

Thirty percent of care  
delivery settings using  
EHRs have integrated  
medical and dental  
records

Key federal agencies,  
policymakers, and the Oral  
Health 2020 Network are  
aligned around a core set  
of measures with sufficient  
granularity and a measurement  
and reporting strategy

*Milestones are  
markers along the  
road to reaching  
a target, and can  
happen in the network  
in any order, and  
even at the same time.*

## NATIONAL TACTICS

- Support release of first comprehensive national survey and report of nation's oral health
- Support policy change to ensure sustainable financing model for collection and analysis of data, and a national repository of data
- Support policy change to integrate medical and dental records
- Identify and engage national partners to analyze and report nationwide disaggregated data
- Engage national partners to assess and monitor where states stand on adherence to measurement strategy
- Engage national partners to develop and build consensus on core set of measures with sufficient granularity and a measurement and reporting strategy

## STATE TACTICS

- Engage targeted states building model measurement systems and spread promising approaches to other states
- Identify and engage state partners to develop a framework for submitting, analyzing, and reporting state disaggregated data to state and national measurement repositories
- Engage professional associations to promote integrated health IT systems

## COMMUNITY TACTICS

- Support inclusion of oral health in community needs assessments
- Promote training and use of integrated health IT systems and other data collection practices by community providers
- Engage community champions and community based organizations to advocate for and use new models for data collection and analysis
- Support systems that provide community members access to data and their interpretation, analysis, and messaging of that data

*Tactics, as they  
are implemented, will  
help to achieve mile-  
stones, Tactics happen  
at multiple levels, and  
often simultaneously,  
across the network.*

WE DON'T **HAVE** TO ENGAGE  
**IN GRAND, HEROIC ACTIONS**  
**TO PARTICIPATE IN CHANGE.**

SMALL **ACTS,**  
WHEN **MULTIPLIED**

**→ BY MILLIONS ←**  
**OF PEOPLE, CAN TRANSFORM**

**THE WORLD.**  
**-HOWARD ZINN**